



THE CHAPTER CONNECTION



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CHAPTER

SACRAMENTO SAFETY & HEALTH SUMMIT SUCCESS

The 2026 Sacramento Safety & Health Summit brought together hundreds of safety professionals for a day of learning, collaboration, and connection, showcasing the strength and commitment of the region's safety community. Attendees filled sessions, exchanged ideas, built new relationships, and engaged in meaningful conversations focused on creating safer and healthier workplaces. The success of the Summit was made possible through the dedication of speakers, sponsors, exhibitors, volunteers, attendees, chapter leaders, and partners, whose collective efforts transformed months of planning into an energizing and impactful event. As the day concluded, participants left inspired by the ideas shared, the connections made, and the continued momentum to advance workplace safety throughout the Sacramento region.



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SIERRA NEVADA BREWING HOSTS ASSP SACRAMENTO

Our recent visit to the Sierra Nevada Brewing Co. Chico facility gave us a firsthand look at how sustainability, innovation, and business operations can work together to create a lasting impact.

Some of the highlights included:

- One of the largest solar arrays in the craft brewing industry.
- Diverting 99.8% of solid waste from landfills through recycling, composting, and agricultural partnerships.
- Capturing and reusing CO₂ generated during the brewing process.
- Wastewater treatment and water conservation efforts.
- Organic estate agriculture, including on-site barley, hops, gardens, and rotational crops that support their commitment to sustainable farming practices.

Special thanks to Brad Perry, CSP, SMP, Ashley Koller, and the entire Sierra Nevada team for the warm hospitality, informative sustainability presentation, behind-the-scenes tour, and delicious lunch.



CONGRATULATIONS!

ASSP WISE RECEIVES SILVER LEVEL CHAPTERWISE DISTINCTION AWARD



Sacramento ChapterWISE reached an exciting milestone this year by earning the 2026 Silver ChapterWISE Distinction Award. Achieving this recognition in less than a year highlights the group's dedication to advancing women in safety, supporting professional growth, and building a strong community across the Sacramento region. The award reflects the hard work and leadership of its executive board and members, and serves as a testament to the bright future ahead for Sacramento ChapterWISE.



CONGRATULATIONS!

SIMONE SUMESHWAR RECEIVES 2026 SPY AWARD

The Sacramento Chapter proudly congratulates Simone Sumeshwar, CHST, CSP, on being named this year's Safety Professional of the Year (SPY) recipient.

The SPY Award recognizes a safety professional who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in the safety field while making significant contributions to advancing the profession. Simone exemplifies these qualities through her commitment to safety excellence, leadership within our chapter, and dedication to supporting fellow safety professionals. Her passion for professional development, member engagement, and fostering meaningful connections within the safety community has made a lasting impact on both our chapter and the profession as a whole. We are grateful for her many contributions and proud to celebrate this well-deserved recognition. Congratulations, Simone!



CONGRATULATIONS

SAM RIVERS NAMED AS WISE MEMBER OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER



The Sacramento Chapter is proud to recognize Sam Rivers as our October WISE Member of the Month. Sam's dedication to the safety profession, commitment to supporting fellow members, and willingness to step into leadership roles continue to make a positive impact on our chapter. Most recently, she assumed the role of Interim Vice President, demonstrating her ongoing commitment to serving our members and helping shape the future of the Sacramento Chapter. We are grateful for her leadership, enthusiasm, and contributions to both WISE and ASSP, and we are fortunate to have her as part of our chapter community.



CHAPTER NEWS

SECRETARY POSITION CURRENTLY OPEN



Our Sacramento ASSP Chapter is seeking a member to serve as Secretary through June 30, 2027

following Sam Rivers' transition to Interim Vice President as part of the chapter's succession planning. This is a great opportunity to get more involved, expand your professional network, develop leadership skills, and help shape the future of our chapter. No previous board experience is required. If you're organized, dependable, and looking for a meaningful way to give back to the safety profession, we'd love to hear from you. Interested members are encouraged to contact our Chapter President, Sixtus Aliriagwu, for more information

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

COMING SOON: HOLIDAY MIXER BENEFITING COMMUNITY INTEREST GROUPS



The Sacramento safety community is invited to come together for a special Holiday Mixer hosted jointly by the Women in Safety Excellence (WISE), Black Safety Professionals (BSP), and Hispanic Safety Professionals (HSP) community interest groups. This festive networking event will provide an opportunity to connect with colleagues, celebrate the year's accomplishments, and strengthen relationships across the profession while supporting an important cause. Proceeds from the event will help launch a new scholarship fund dedicated to supporting Sacramento-area safety professionals and students pursuing careers in Environmental, Health, and Safety (EHS). Stay tuned for more information!



GET INVOLVED

BSP, HSP, AND WISE

Get involved and expand your professional network by joining one of Sacramento ASSP's Common Interest Groups: Black Safety Professionals (BSP), Hispanic Safety Professionals (HSP), or Women in Safety Excellence (WISE). These groups enhance the member experience by creating opportunities to connect with peers, share ideas, support one another's professional growth, and build more inclusive safety communities. Participation also offers valuable leadership development opportunities and a chance to make a meaningful impact within both our local chapter and the broader safety profession. Reach out to Sixtus Aliriagwu, Diana Guzman, and Simone Sumeshwar to learn more.



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Hispanic Safety Professionals
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FEEDBACK REQUESTED

ANNUAL CHAPTER SURVEY EXTENDED!



As a valued member of the 4X-Platinum Sacramento ASSP Chapter, your feedback helps shape the future of our programs and services. Please take a few minutes to complete our brief member survey and share your thoughts on the value of your membership, the programs and events you'd like to see in the coming year, and how you prefer to hear from us. Your input will help guide chapter planning and ensure we're delivering the content, education, and networking opportunities that matter most to you. Members may also choose to enter a prize drawing by providing their email address at the end of the survey, or remain completely anonymous. Thank you for helping us make our chapter even stronger.